Social Welfare Schemes for SCs/STs and OBCs

3220. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV :
SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY :
PROF. RAM DEO BHANDARY :

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have launched a large number of social welfare schemes for the benefit of Scheduled Castes/Tribes, physically impaired and other backward people of the country;

(b) if so, the modes of publicity adopted for creating awareness about these schemes;

(c) whether adequate publicity, especially through weekly radio programmes and jingles/spots is being given to the schemes so as to create awareness among the illiterate beneficiaries thereof; if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of the radio sponsored programmes, jingles, spots etc. being broadcast presently and those scheduled for broadcast in the ensuing financial year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SANJAY PASWAN) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) to (d) The Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment is giving publicity to all its schemes and programmes to generate social awareness across the country through various forms of media viz. electronic media, print media, outdoor media, traditional folk and also interpersonal media.

Schemes of the Ministry are widely publicized through advertisements, printed publicity material, hoardings, kiosks, bus panels, dance and drama shows, interpersonal communication sessions as also through the broadcast of radio jingles and spots in a staggered manner and broadcast of weekly sponsored radio programme **"Sanwarti Jayen Jeewan Ki Rahen"** in the North Eastern States.

Plan for Multi-Sectoral Development of Minorities

3221. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN : Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the plan for Multi-sectoral development of minorities and the details of the programmes drawn up to achieve the objects of the plan;

(b) the number of minority concentrated districts identified in the country, State-wise; and

(c) the details of the plan to increase the area of such districts by including the area of minority concentration not identified as minority concentration districts so as to extend benefits to the minority people of so extended areas ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SANJAY PASWAN) : (a) The objective of the Multi-sectoral Development Plan is to identify traditional and other related economic activates being conspicuously pursued by the minorities in the identified minority concentration districts with a view to assess the requirements of credit, technological input, training and marketing support required for carrying out such activities and the means through which they can be arranged. Under the scheme, funds to a maximum of Rs. 5.00 lakhs were provided to the State Governments for preparation of a Multi-sectoral Development Plan for each Minority Concentration District. The scheme is to be implemented by the State Governments.

(b) 41 Minority Concentration Districts have been identified. The State-wise list is placed at Statement (See below).

(c) There is no plan to increase the area of such districts, by including the area of minority concentration not identified as minority concentrated Disticts.

Statement

Minority Concentration Districts

States	*Districts*
(1)	(2)
Andhra Pradesh	1. Hyderabad
	2. Kurnool
Bihar	3. Darbhanga
	4. Katihar
	5. Purnea
Gujarat	6. Kachch
Haryana	7. Gurgaon
Karnataka	8. Bidar
	9. Bijapur
	10. Gulbarga

1	2
Kerala	11. Cannanore
	12. Kozhikode
	13. Malappuram
	14. Palghat
	15. Wyanad
Madhya Pradesh	16. Bhopal
Maharashtra	17. Aurangabad
	18. Greater Bombay
Rajasthan	19. Jaisalmer
Uttar Pradesh	20. Bahraich
	21. Barabanki
	22. Basti
	23. Bijnor
	24. Deoria
	25. Ghaziabad
	26. Gonda
	27. Meerut
	28. Moradabad
	29. Muzaffarnagar
	30. Pilibhit
	31. Rampur
	32. Saharanpur
West Bengal	33. Birbhoom
	34. Cooch Bihar
	35. Howrah
	36. Malda
	37. Murshidabad
	38. Nadia
	39. 24-Parganas—North
	40. 24-Parganas—South
	41. West Dinajpur